What is claimed is:

- 1. A method performed on a data processing system for processing business information generated by multiple organizations, the method comprising:
 - a. providing a database for holding business information;
 - b. receiving business information from a plurality of organizations;
 - c. populating the database with business information from the plurality of organizations, the business information being identified with an organizational identifier identifying the organization associated with the information;
 - d. authenticating a user for access to the database based on a user identifier, a password and the organizational identifier; and
 - e. providing the user access to the database only for business information identified with the user's organizational identifier.
- 2. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of providing the user access to the database is provided by a single instance of a database server program for all users.
- 3. A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of providing the user access to the database is provided by a single instance of an application server program for all users.